



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 038, Inc.
Spokane, Washington
www.frabranch38.org**

**APRIL – MAY – JUNE 2019
BRANCH BULLETIN**

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KHAKI BALL – April 6, 2019 - See page 3 for particulars

Calendar of Upcoming Events

April 2019

01 Apr CPO Grade Established (1893)
 April Fool's Day
 09 Apr Nat'l Former POW Recognition Day
 14 Apr Palm Sunday
 15 Apr Patriots' Day
 FRA/LAFRA Scholarship Deadline
 Income Tax Deadline
 18 Apr Doolittle Raid over Tokyo (1942)
 19 Apr Good Friday
 Passover Begins at Sunset
 20 Apr Monthly Meeting at **10:30 am** at
 VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond, Spokane, WA
 21 Apr Easter Sunday
 24 Apr Administrative Professionals' Day
 26 Apr Arbor Day
 27 Apr Passover Ends at Sunset

May 2019

05 May Cinco de Mayo
 08 May VE Day, WWII ends in Europe (1945)

May 2019 (Cont'd)

10 May US Coast Guard Band Est (1925)
 12 May Mother's Day
 13 May Navy Nurse Corps Est (1908)
 15 May Peace Officers Memorial Day
 18 May Armed Forces Day
 Monthly Meeting at **10:30 am** at
 VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond, Spokane, WA
 22 May National Maritime Day
 27 May Memorial Day (Observed)

June 2019

06 Jun D-Day (1944)
 14 Jun Flag Day
 15 Jun Quarterly Lunch/Meeting at **Noon**
 Longhorn BBQ (West)
 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA
 16 Jun Father's Day
 17 Jun US Navy Hospital Corps Est (1898)
 21 Jun First Day of Summer
 25 Jun N. Korea Invades S. Korea (1950)

Milestone Awards
April – May - June 2019

Michelle Davis	25 years	April 2019
A. M. Pagnotta	25 years	June 2019
Gerald Sands	40 years	April 2019
Ken Gallant	45 years	May 2019

Branch Birthdays
April – May - June – March 2019

Dale Zentzis	April 5	
Douglas Harms	April 15	
George Stevens Jr	April 21	
Larry Bachko	May 4	
David Lord	May 7	
Arthur Ellison	May 8	
Laveen Schmidt	May 9	
Edwin Hickok Sr	May 13	
Vernon Lozier	May 13	
Michelle Davis	May 16	
Harol Brooks	May 26	
Ron Hemming	May 28	
Tom Staudinger	May 29	
Leo Fagan	May 30	
Charles Davis	June 8	
Raymond Kuhn	June 11	
Joseph Nannie	June 12	
Richard Casselman	June 14	
William Monger	June 19	
Daniel Sullivan	June 27	



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL!

Regional Convention – 2019 – The Regional Convention is being sponsored by Seattle Branch 18 on September 6-8, 2019, at the Delta Hotels Seattle Everett, 3105 Pine St, Everett, WA 98201. Room rates are \$113 per night plus tax. Reservations can be made online at <https://bit.do/2019NWFRA> or 425-339-2000 until **August 2, 2019**.

The meal information will come out sometime after May 1st. For more information, please contact RPNW Pete Lazzaretti at pr@frabranh18.org / 253-444-7516.
 Hospitality Room opens at 1600, Thursday, Sept. 5th
 Welcome Aboard will be at 1900, Friday, Sept. 6th
 Opening & General Session is Saturday, Sept. 7th

National Convention – 2019 - This convention is being hosted by the FRA and being handled by the National Committee which was elected by the delegates. It will be held September 22-29, 2019 at Crowne Plaza Memphis East, 2625 Thousand Oak Blvd, Memphis, TN 38118. It is located at I-240 and Perkins eight miles

from the Memphis International Airport, sixteen minutes from downtown, and thirteen minutes from Graceland. There is on-site self-parking which is complimentary. There is complimentary airport transportation to and from the hotel and within a five-mile radius of the hotel.

There are two room rates, one with Breakfast included and one without breakfast. Room rates apply for up to three dates prior and three days following the convention dates. The cut-off date for the block of rooms will be held until **Sunday, September 1, 2019**. Reservation requests received after 5:00 pm local time at the hotel on the cut-off date will be accepted based on guest room availability at the Group rate. The telephone number for reservations is: **Crowne Plaza Worldwide Reservations at 844-750-1135**.

- Fleet Reserve **WITHOUT Breakfast** - \$99 plus 17.75% tax and the City of Memphis Hotel Tourism Fee of \$2 per day (Block code **FLA**. Be sure to mention "Fleet Reserve Association.")
- Fleet Reserve **WITH Breakfast** - \$109 plus 17.75% tax and the City of Memphis Hotel Tourism Fee of \$2 per day (Block code **FLB**. Be sure to mention "Fleet Reserve Association.")

Healthy, Wealthy, & Wise Conference – New this year FRA National is hosting the title conference targeted at federal, state, and private agencies employees involved in providing care and resources to the active duty and veteran community. This inaugural event will be held in Norfolk, Virginia September 23-26, 2019. It was hoped that the Convention and the Healthy, Wealthy, & Wise Conference could be co-located in order to share resources, however, the Convention Committee selected another city and hotel that did not include the conference meeting space. For more information visit www.fravsf.org.

Contact Information Updates Needed

FRA National HQ Membership Group is asking everyone to update their **Contact Information**. Attached to this bulletin is a form you can tear off to update your information on and mail it back to FRA HQ (FRA – 125 N. West Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-2754). Or you can go online to update it on the FRA Website by using your member number as your **Username** and entering your password. If you have never logged on the password would be your first initial and last name. You can also email Shirley@FRA.org or call Shirley at (703) 683-1400 or 1-800-372-1924

Khaki Ball – 2019 – This year’s Inland Empire Khaki Ball will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at the American Legion Post 143, 1138 E. Poleline Ave, Post Falls, ID 83853-6150. It will begin at 1700 hours and will cost \$20 per person for the meals, a buffet style dinner with three entrees.

Point of Contacts are Master Chief Moon (mrcmoon@yahoo.com) and Shipmate James Grisham (grishamgrisham@yahoo.com). The Branch 38 Secretary sent out an email regarding this event early in March 2019 to all those on the branch’s email list.

Val Moon is the Khaki Ball Treasurer and all monies for your meals need to be sent by check to her by March 31, 2019 at **4723 N. Hawthorne St, Spokane, WA 99205** or use **Paypal** at ‘mrcmoon@yahoo.com’.

Events: Social Hour Oldest & Youngest CPO +
Cake Cutting Chief Introductions Buffet Dinner
Sea Story Contest White Elephant Gift Exchange

Spokane Indians Military Appreciation Night:

Will be Saturday, August 17, 2019. Game tickets are available by calling 509-343-6886. First pitch will be at 6:30 pm. They will be playing the Eugene Emeralds that night.

Homeless Vets Support Services in Spokane, WA

A Veteran Affairs Homeless Outreach center at 504 E. Second Ave. was placed where dozens of Spokane’s homeless were searching a place to sleep or waiting for the charity houses to provide a meal.

“We were one of the first VAs in the country to launch a downtown outreach center,” said Quinn Bastian, a psychologist who is the Chief of Behavioral Health at Mann-Grandstaff VA Medical Center located in northwest Spokane. “We knew the closer we are to the places where homeless people spend their time, the more likely it was to have them come in.”

The center, which has been operational at its new location since Feb. 22, 2018 but didn’t get all of its final furniture in place until April of 2018, is a complete, one-stop shop for any veteran staring at hard times, said Shannon Dunkin, who is the coordinator for Healthcare for Homeless Veterans. The center can be contacted by calling 509-462-2500.

The center has about 30 in-house employees, and a couple who work in Wenatchee and in Coeur d’Alene, who try to expedite the sometimes onerous process of securing VA benefits.

“We can expedite those claims for homeless veterans. We’ve had people come in who have been living in their trucks to recent home owners,” Dunkin said. “Sometimes they need a few months. Sometimes they need services for years.”

Once the staffers get the basic information, they begin a clinical assessment to determine whether the veteran needs medical help, mental health counseling and whether they need a home.

SSVF (Supportive Services for Veterans)

Goodwill Industries of the Inland Northwest had a Supportive Services for Veteran Families and it is a housing program that finds stable housing for Veterans and Veteran families. They are located at 130 E. Third Ave, Spokane, WA and can be contacted by calling 509-828-2449.

SECRETARY’S NOTES

Newsletter Delivery Via E-Mail – If you received this newsletter by regular mail and are willing to receive future copies via email in Microsoft Word or PDF format, please email the Secretary at:

FRABranch38@gmail.com. The newsletter is sent as a Microsoft Word 1997–2003 document and also as a PDF document. If your computer is compatible with either format, you should be able to read and print it. You can download Adobe Reader free from get.adobe.com/reader. Since the newsletter is sent out in a mass mailing, which some email providers classify as possible “Spam”, please put the Branch’s email address on your list of approved senders.

Membership Dues

The cost of renewing your membership beginning January 1, 2017 has gone up as listed below:

1 Year	\$40.00	
2 Years	\$75.00	(6% discount)
2 Years	\$64.00	(1st time new mbrs)
5 years	\$180.00	(10% discount)

Branch 38’s policy for new members to the FRA and Branch 38 is it will pay \$24.00 and the new member pays \$40.00.

Fleet Reserve Association Dues

Listed below are those shipmates that have not paid their dues as yet and the dates they are due. Also listed are those Shipmates that will be receiving renewal notices of their dues. Please renew. Your voice and help is needed in the FRA.

Past Due FRA Dues - as of 2/28/2019

Dwayne Harney February 2019

Upcoming FRA Dues

Charles Davis	April 2019
Tom Staudinger	April 2019
Michelle Davis	April 2019
Dale Zentzis	April 2019
Jack Terry	May 2019
George Peck	May 2019
Roi Sigler	June 2019

Included in the bulletin is the Application Form for the FRA. **Please make all checks out to the FRA.** You can also mail them direct to the FRA office.

Businesses owned by Coast Guard / Navy / Marine Veterans

Beardsley Family Restaurant—26009 N Hwy 395, Orient, WA—Owned by members of a retired navy husband and wife Chiefs

Chiefs Bar & Grill—417 E. 1st St., Odessa, WA – Owned by Mike and Sherri Frederick. Both were Chief Petty Officers.

Hat 'N Patch—Website at www.hatnpatch.com – owned by Rod Truitt. They carry military & patriotic hats, patches, pins & more.

Popular Patch—don@popularpatch.com, 9030 N. Hess St, Ste 111, Hayden, ID – Owned by Branch Shipmate Don McGrogan (Ask for military discount).

Roi's Furniture—1611 N. Monroe St, Spokane, WA – Owned by Branch 38 Shipmate Roi Sigler

Sailor Girl Soap and Supplies—

www.sailorsoapgirl.com. Plummer, ID—owned by a former Navy member.

Taco Del Mar Restaurant—12501 N. Division St., Spokane, WA – Owned by Master Chief Frank Schoonover.

Twenty-Seventh Heaven LLC—1220 S. Grand Blvd, Suite A, Spokane, WA.—Owned by LT Lydia Cowles

Uncle Sam's Flag & Gift – 14109 E. Sprague Ave, #7A, Spokane Valley, WA –Owned by Chief Lance Johnson.

Calendar Year 2019 Meeting Locations

All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

April 20, 2019 Qtrly Meeting at **10:30 AM**
VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

May 18, 2019 Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM**
VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

June 15, 2019 NOON Luncheon at Longhorn
BBQ (West) 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA

July 20, 2019 Qtrly Meeting at **10:30 AM**
VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

August 17, 2019 Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM**
VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

September 21, 2019 NOON Luncheon at The Onion
7552 N. Division, Spokane, WA

October 19, 2019 Qtrly Meeting at **10:30 AM**
VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

November 16, 2019 Monthly Mtg at **10:30 AM**
VFW Post 1464 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave
Spokane, WA

December 21, 2018 Christmas Party at **11:00 AM**
At Timber Creek Buffet, 9211 E. Montgomery Ave
Spokane Valley, WA

The Branch Monthly meeting and Quarterly Lunch dates
and locations can be found on the Branch Website at
www.frabranh38.org.

In Loyalty, Protection, and Service,
Margret (Peg) Burke, Secretary/Treasurer
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FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION - APPLICATION FORM

Active duty, reserve, and retired enlisted members of the USN, USCG, USMC; non-sea service personnel of the U.S. Armed Forces with prior enlisted sea Service; and commissioned officers with at least one day of enlisted sea service are eligible for membership. Annual membership is \$40; discounts are available for longer-term memberships. Simply complete this form, enclose payment and return to FRA, Branch 38 representative.

Name: _____ Rating/Rank: _____

Address: _____
Street Lot/Space City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security No.: _____ Phone #: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Service: _____ Status: _____ Membership Preference: Branch 038 Member-at-Large _____

Previous FRA member? Yes: _____ Member Number: _____ No: _____

Recruited by: _____ Member No.: _____ Branch: _____

Spouses Name: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Dues

1 Yr \$40.00 Payment: MC Visa Discover Card AE Check-enclosed
 2 Yrs \$64.00 (SPECIAL OFFER FOR FIRST TIME MEMBERS)
 2 Yrs \$75.00 (for renewing or reinstating FRA members)
 5 Yrs \$180.00 Credit Card No.: _____
Exp. Date: _____

Mail to: **FRA – 125 N. West Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-2754** – Phone: 703-683-1400, Toll-Free: 1-800-FRA-1924 – www.fra.org



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